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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EINV ENRG EIND MO

SUBJECT: ESSO MOROCCANIZATION

REF: STATE 240716, RABAT 4607

1. CHARGE AND ECOUN CALLED THIS MORNING UPON FONOFF DIRECTOR NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS WHO HANDLING FOREIGN POLICY ASPECTS ESSO CASE. LEFT HICKENLOOPER AND GOUZALEZ AMENDMENTS AND EXTRACTS TRADE ACT AND FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE ACT TOGETHER WITH FRENCH-LANGUAGE PRECIS. ALSO DISCUSSED SUBSTANCE REFTTEL WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE GSP ELIBILITY TIMING PROBLEM.
2. BELKORA PROMISED TO MAKE INQUIRIES REGARDING GOM WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS, EXPRESSING PRELIMINARY VIEW THAT ANSWER WOULD CERTAINLY BE AFFIRMATIVE. WE HAD NOT RECEIVED PROMISED PHONE CONFIRMATION HOWEVER AS THIS MESSAGE BEING DRAFTED TO MEET REFTTEL PARA 3 REPORTING DEADLINE.
3. FYI: PROBLEM AS WE SEE IT IS NO LONGER MERELY WHETHER GOM WILLING TO TALK SOME MORE. QUESTION IS NOW WHETHER AND HOW ESSO AFTER HAVING TAKEN GOM HINT TO CHANGE NEGOTIATING TEAM AND TACTICS CAN BE BROUGHT BACK TO TABLE NOW THAT CONFIDENCE OF NEW TEAM IN GOM GOOD FAITH HAS BEEN SHAKEN AFTER
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ENORMOUS EFFORT EXPENDED IN MAY AND JUNE TO BRING TWO SIDES

TOGETHER AGAIN (SEE RABAT 4607).

4. SUPPLEMENTARY MESSAGE WILL FOLLOW AS SOON AS BELKORA
REPLY RECEIVED. END FYI.
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